



Teaching and living the truth of God's Grace
SHOESTRING VALLEY
COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Long Term Missionary Support Application

Date: _____

The following information will be shared confidentially with the Global Outreach Team.

General Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Date of birth: _____

Employment History

Present Employer: _____ Dates: _____

Title/Description of work: _____

Previous Employer: _____ Dates: _____

Title/Description of work: _____

Education

List your formal post-high school education beginning with the most recent:

Name of college/university	Years attended	Degree

Church Information

What church do you attend? _____

How long have you been attending? _____

After reviewing SVCC's Statement of Faith, are you in full agreement? If not, please indicate the sections with which you disagree. See our web page on the SVCC's Beliefs [here](#).

Describe your current involvement in your church, including participation in small groups, various areas of ministry, etc. How have you exercised your gifts, talents, and abilities in a way that has edified the church?

Indicate other activities of Christian service or churches in which you have been involved in the past.

Christian History

Describe how you came to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ:

What do you consider to be your particular spiritual gifts, qualifications, and strengths for ministry?

What factors have been significant in helping you to grow in Christ?

What spiritual disciplines do you currently employ in your spiritual walk? Describe briefly:

What experience have you had in leading people to Christ and/or discipling people?

Family

Marital Satus: single married divorced widowed

If applicable, spouse and children:

Spouse Name	Spouse Birthdate and Age	Spouse Health concerns

Child Name	Child Birthdate and Age	Child Health concerns

What does your spouse intend to do while on the mission field?

What are your plans for educating your children?

If you are married, describe the health of your marriage: (Do you have an evident love and respect for one another that is clear to those who know you best? How do you handle and resolve conflicts with your spouse? Do you have any issues with adultery or emotional affairs? Have you and your spouse discussed healthy boundaries in relating to the opposite sex?)

Husbands: What are you doing to spiritually lead your family?

Describe for us the Biblical view of sex and whether you agree with it.

Have you sought emotional or sexual fulfillment outside of marriage (porn, romance novels, etc.)?

What kind of disciplines and/or preventative measures do you have in place to keep yourself from sexual sin?

Describe the family you grew up in and what your family life was like. What positive aspects of your upbringing have influenced who you are now? What challenges do you continue to face related to your upbringing?

What are your immediate family's feelings about your interest in serving cross-culturally? Would you anticipate their support if you were to become a missionary?

Missionary Preparation

Briefly describe your personal calling to missionary/cross-cultural work. (Why do you want to be involved in missions? What has motivated you? How has the Lord led you?)

Describe the opportunity you want us to know about...the country, people, agency you will serve with, length of proposed commitment, etc.:

Describe what specifically you expect to be doing. Why do you think that you are uniquely suited to be part of this ministry? What have you done here at home that you hope to do abroad?

What is the projected start date of your ministry? _____

How long do you anticipate serving with this ministry? _____

Describe any previous experience you have had with overseas mission work:

Are you currently in dept?

If you are in dept, then how much is the debt? _____

What is the approximate support figure you are being asked to raise? _____

Where are you at presently in meeting that support goal? _____

Mission agency name: _____

Address: _____

Mission Agency Representative: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

Character

Rate yourself on a scale from 1 – 10, 1 meaning rarely and 10 meaning consistently.

- Humility: _____ Would others call you “humble?” Do you admit when you are wrong?
- Teachable Spirit: _____ Are you willing to learn from others?
- Adaptability: _____ How you cope with change?
- Submissiveness: _____ Have you demonstrated that you can submit to authority?
- Willingness to suffer: _____ How do you handle adversity and difficulty?
- Servanthood: _____ Do you have a track record of service? Have you helped “carry the load” of ministry at SVCC or in your local church/ministry?

How do you handle criticism? _____

Are you aware of instances where you hurt someone (intentionally or not) which have not been reconciled?

If you answered yes, what is the reason that the situation has not been resolved?

Have you ever been arrested for, had an allegation lodged against you for, or been involved in inappropriate activity that would adversely impact your testimony or ministry in a foreign field?

References

Please provide the names, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers of five people who are in a leadership position or with whom you have served in ministry that would be willing to recommend you as a missionary candidate. In our effort to know you well, we may ask your references for names of other people we can talk with who know you.

Name	Phone	E-mail Address	Relationship to you

Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone (Home): _____ Email: _____

Phone (Cell): _____

Criteria that SVCC looks for in the area of your character include:

- At a minimum, deacon qualifications must be met (**1Timothy 3:8-13**).
- Must be attending SVCC for at least two years or consistently attending another congregation.
- Participation in the life of SVCC (services, small groups, etc.).
- Marriage “check-up” done with one of SVCC’s elders before official endorsement.
- Evidence of ministry experience that is similar to what you will be doing overseas.
- Those who know you best are supportive of you being sent by SVCC.